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1. There shall be established orphanages and elementary schools in Seoul, P'yongyang, and all the provinces in the People's Republic, and military schools for boys and technical schools for girls in major districts, for the orphan children of the state heroes.

2. The orphan children of the state heroes, age 3 to 6, shall enroll in orphanages; age 7 to 12 years in elementary schools; boys age 13 to 18 in military schools; girls age 13 to 18 in the girls' technical schools to be established throughout the state.

3. The above institutions shall be named after outstanding state heroes in their respective localities, subject to approval by the Cabinet in each instance.

4. The military schools for boys shall be placed under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of National Defense, the orphanages, elementary schools, and girls' technical schools under the Ministry of Education.

5. The above ministries must submit to the Cabinet the plans and the budget required for opening the institutes by 20 February 1951, and the drafts of regulations governing these institutes by 10 March 1951.

6. The ministers concerned and the chairmen of the provincial people's committees (Seoul and P'yongyang city people's committees included) are charged with organization of preparatory committees for the creation and inauguration of the institutes by 1 April 1951.

Kim Il-song, Premier
Democratic People's Republic of Korea
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EDITORIAL SAYS DECISION BOOSTS SOLDIERS' MORALE -- Seoul, Haebang Ilbo, 16 Feb 51

On 13 January the Democratic People's Republic of Korea announced Cabinet Decision No 192 providing for establishment of institutions for orphan children of state heroes who sacrificed their lives for the liberation of the Fatherland.

Previously, the "Institute for the Bereaved Families of the Revolutionists" was established in a suburb of P'yongyang, for the purpose of guiding, rearing, and educating as future leaders of the people the children of the revolutionists who died for the state.

Within the 7 months since the beginning of the mighty war for the liberation of the Fatherland, many heroic members of the People's Army, partisans, and the members of the Korean Labor Party have become victims of the relentless bullets and barbaric atrocities committed by the vicious American aggressors. The names and exploits of these men and women will shine forever in the history of our country. Thus Decision No 192 states, "protecting and guiding the orphan children of these men and women by the state and rearing them in a healthy and wholesome manner to assure that they grow up into excellent leaders of the state and serve the Fatherland and people as indispensable workers is an important national task and noble obligation of all the people."

By doing so, we can consolidate the home front and boost the morale of our fighting men and can thus expect a speedy victory in the war of liberation for the Fatherland.

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The present Cabinet decision has already brought noteworthy reactions from among the fighting men at the front, who, knowing the warm consideration and patriotic measure thus taken by our state, renewed their pledge to fight to the last drop of their blood for the cause of our Fatherland. Likewise, the people on the home front, enthusiastically supporting this noble decision, rose to support the program.

The importance of this program cannot be overemphasized. It is of national significance. As the decision states, "it is the noble obligation of all the people," therefore, the same obligation lies upon the people in the recently liberated areas as on those in the northern half of the People's Republic.

It is, therefore, important that we as citizens of the People's Republic in the newly liberated Seoul, do our utmost to support the program for successful implementation of the decision, so that the members of the People's Army, partisans, and the patriots can keep up their morale, display more heroism, and fight without worrying about their families, and thus hasten the ultimate victory.

WORKERS SUPPORT DECISION --- P'yongyang, Nodong Simmun, 22 Jan 51

Comments on Cabinet Decision No 192 were made by the following workers:

Pak Wal-su, a worker of XX factory, P'yongyang, stated:

"It is our noble duty as citizens of the People's Republic to protect and educate the orphaned children of the heroes who gallantly sacrificed their blood for the cause of the Fatherland. I fully realize the significance of the program which is to be undertaken on a state-wide scale."

Kim Song-yong, a farmer in Kangso-kun, P'yongan Namdo said:

"I feel it is extremely appropriate for the state to undertake to educate and train heroes' orphans as the future leaders of our country. It is our noble obligation to help establish the institutes and implement the program."

Yi Yong-ch'ol, a merchant in Sinuiju asserted:

"I agree with the idea wholeheartedly, for it means future security for the People's Republic. It is also an example of true democracy in action."

Thus, everybody not only agrees with the program but pledges to support it to the end so that it will develop into a magnificent undertaking participated in by the people throughout the land.

OFFICERS, SOLDIERS PRAISE CABINET DECISION --- P'yongyang, Nodong Simmun, 16 Jan 51

Yun Ung-mun, an army officer, made the following comment on Cabinet Decision No 192.

This decision is the expression of warm consideration of General Kim Il-sung to protect the welfare of the people. We are extraordinarily moved and gratified. The decision points to the fact that the security of our families is insured and the future of our children and the state guaranteed. As an officer of the People's Army, I say that we can now fight, without reservation and apprehension about the welfare of our families, to the last drop of our blood.

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P'yongyang, Nodong Sinmun, 19 Jan 51

Yu Tong-ho, an army officer, said: "I am now at X Front where the annihilation of the enemy remnants is in progress. The announcement of the Cabinet decision founding special institutions for the orphaned children of heroes was most heartening news to the officers and men at the front. Thus, immensely encouraged, we have renewed our fighting will. Only the people's regime, which always strives for happiness and freedom of the people and for eternal prosperity of the People's Republic, can bestow such benefits on us. In a humble return, we pledge to sacrifice our lives in the valiant struggle for independence of our Fatherland."

P'yongyang, Nodong Sinmun, 18 Jan 51

Kim Song-sun, a combatant in the People's Army said: "Previously, Cabinet Decision No 45 conferred upon us the privileges of state benefits and special wartime allowances for the men in the armed forces. Now, upon our deaths, our families will be entitled to various benefits under the new Cabinet decision. The thought moves us with a tremendous feeling of gratification and satisfaction, together with a renewed realization of the responsibilities of our missions. For such benefactions we can but humbly compensate with our flesh and blood for the cause of the Fatherland and the people, and this we pledge as members of the People's Army and as citizens of the People's Republic."

P'yongyang, Nodong Sinmun, 24 Jan 51

Pak Ch'un-won, a combatant in the People's Army stated: "Always cognizant of the welfare and happiness of the people, the government of the People's Republic has decided to establish institutes for the orphans of the heroes. This, along with the previously founded Institute for the Bereaved Families of the Revolutionists, is a symbolic manifestation of the tenet of the People's Republic that everything is for the welfare of the people."

WIVES COMMENT ON CABINET DECISION ... P'yongyang, Nodong Sinmun, 16 Jan 51

Kim Sin-pok, wife of a soldier said: "My husband is now at X Front fighting for the cause of the Fatherland to exterminate the vicious and brutal American invaders and Syngman Rhee traitors. Cabinet Decision No 192 has increased the significance of the heroic struggle for freedom and sovereign independence of the Fatherland in which my husband is now engaged. It is good news, guaranteeing our security and the future of our children endorsed by the state. I did not hesitate to tell my husband at the front not to worry about us back home, but to fight to the last drop of blood."

P'yongyang, Nodong Sinmun, 18 Jan 51

So Sun, wife of a partisan states: "My husband is a member of the partisans fighting heroically behind the enemy in X area. He and his fellow partisans will guarantee, as the state has guaranteed us the welfare of our children, that they will fulfill the expectations of the state and the people in the execution of their mission in the South. Meanwhile, as a token of gratitude for what the state has done for us, we shall support the program by doing our utmost to bring up our children to be the future leaders of the state."

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P'yongyang, Nodong Sinmun, 24 Jan 51

Kim Yon-uk, wife of a deceased member of the People's Army, said: "My husband was killed in action in the battle of Naktong River. Now I entrust to the state the care and wholesome upbringing of my children, so that when they grow up, they will be the defenders of the People's Republic and fight to the last drop of their blood to revenge the murderers who killed their beloved father. Have them grow up to be good fighters like their father, and solace their father's spirit on earth by carrying out his desires."

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